

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): He is said to be a person having considerable amount of experience in these things.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): May I know the relationship of Professor Waren and the Government Astronomer?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I believe they are brothers.

Statement, by caste, of volunteers in the Anchal Department.

104 MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR (*Pattanamittita*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the number of volunteers appointed by the present Anchal Superintendent?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): The statement * required by the member is laid on the table.

MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR (*Pathanamittita*): Do the Government follow any principle of communal representation in the matter of appointments as volunteers?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): It is not definitely stated anywhere, in regard to volunteers. Government have issued no instructions on that point.

Maniankulam bridge.

105. MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): Are the Government aware:

(a) of the damaged condition of the Maniankulam bridge at Paravur; and

(b) that there is heavy traffic on the bridge?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (a) Yes. An estimate for its thorough reconstruction is under preparation. Meanwhile, the bridge has been temporarily repaired and made safe for traffic.

(b) The traffic over the bridge cannot be said to be heavy, as the road stops half a mile beyond.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): May I know what amount has been spent for the repair of the bridge at Maniankulam?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Rs.170.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): May I know whether the Government are aware of the condition of the roads leading to the bridge?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): The Chief Engineer has reported that the roads are kept in fair order.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): May I know whether Government are aware that accidents occur on that road due to the bad condition of the road?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Government are not aware.

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MR. K. KUJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): With regard to part (b), may I know whether the Government are aware that there is a factory just on the other side of the bridge, a coir factory?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): I am not aware.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): May I know what made the Government conclude that there was not heavy traffic along the bridge?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): The Chief Engineer's report.

Artist in the Botany Section of the Science College.

106. **MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI** (*Quilon*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is an artist in the Botany Section of the Science College;

(b) whether there is such a post in the Botany Section of the Madras Presidency College; and

(c) whether there is such a post in the Botany Department of any college under the Madras University?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (a) The answer is in the negative.

(b) and (c) The information is not now available.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): May I know whether there is an officer called Draftsman in the Science College?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes, there is one.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): May I know whether the Draftsman is required by other Sections of the Science College?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That Draftsman is maintained for both the Zoology and Botany Sections.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): Who recommended the appointment of this Draftsman?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The appointment was created some years ago.

MR. K. KUJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): May I know whether there was a Draftsman when these Sections were started?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): All that I see from the Budget is that the appointment was there in 1106. I cannot say more than that.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): With regard to part (c), may I know whether the Government will ascertain whether any other college in the Madras Presidency, affiliated to the Madras University, has got a Draftsman for this department?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.